

Remarks

Claims 1-21 were pending in the present application. Claims 1, 2, and 4 have been canceled, and new claims 22-24 have been added. Claim 3 has been amended primarily to change the claim to an independent method claim. Therefore, claims 3 and 5-24 are now pending in the present application.

Drawings

New corrected drawings are required by the PTO. Replacement drawings meeting PTO requirements are attached.

Allowable Subject Matter

Examiner Chawan is sincerely thanked for indicating that claims 2-21 contain allowable subject matter. Among these claims, claims 2 and 4 have been canceled, and claim 3 has been amended primarily to change the claim to an independent method claim.

Claim Rejection

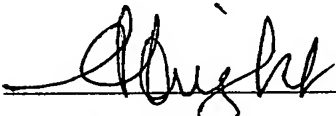
Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,298,154 to Cok. Claim 1 has been canceled, thus mooting this rejection.

New claims 22-24 depend from claims indicated as allowable, and are thus believed to be allowable therewith.

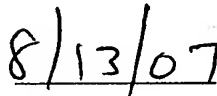
Conclusion and Fees

Because Applicant has paid for 21 claims and 3 independent claims, and because there are now 21 claims and 3 independent claims pending, Applicant believes that no fee is due. Applicant believes that all outstanding issues have been resolved, and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance. If Examiner Chawan believes that a telephone conference will further prosecution of the present case, please contact Applicant at the number indicated below.

Respectfully,



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